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HOUSE BILL 1242

By Cooper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2, Part 2, relative to local boards of education in counties having a population in excess of seven hundred thousand (700,000) persons.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-201(b), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

Only persons who are residents of the area served by an LEA are eligible to serve on the school board in counties with populations of seven hundred thousand (700,000) or more, according to the 1990 federal census or any subsequent federal census; provided, however, that if the person seeking to serve on the county board of education is an employee of another school district within the county, then the person shall not be eligible to serve on the county board of education.

SECTION 2. Nothing in this act shall be construed as having the effect of removing any incumbent from office or abridging the term of any official prior to the end of the term for which such official was elected.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to all board of education elections occurring on or after that date.